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Applicant: Rahdert et al

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**AMENDMENT B**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This Amendment responds to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2007.

An automatic three month extension of time, up to and including December 15, 2007, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

**The Examiner's attention is directed to the Information Disclosure Statement that accompanies this Amendment.**

Please amend the application as follows:

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